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**MAY EDITION OF CATAWBA COMMUNITIES FEATURES NEWTON POOL REOPENING;
CONOVER SCHOOL; EXPANDED PUBLIC HEALTH DENTAL CLINIC; “SWINGIN’ UNDER
THE STARS” IN HICKORY.**

The May edition of “Catawba Communities,” a monthly show featuring information about programs and services provided by local governments, school systems and associated agencies across Catawba County, is currently airing on the Charter Communications’ Government Channel (Channel 3) on Tuesday and Thursday evenings at 8:00 p.m.

The program includes a look ahead to the reopening of the swimming pool in the City of Newton in June, a story about the expanded Dental Clinic at Catawba County Public Health, details about how the Conover School is educating children with developmental disabilities and other special needs, and a preview of the “Swingin’ Under the Stars” event set for Sunday, May 27 on Union Square in Hickory.

Partners in the show include the City of Claremont, City of Conover, City of Hickory, Town of Maiden, City of Newton, Catawba County, the Hickory Public Schools, Newton-Conover City Schools, Catawba Valley Community College, Keep Catawba County Beautiful, Catawba County Economic Development Corporation, and the Greater Hickory Convention and Visitor’s Bureau. Highlights of the May show include:

- a segment on the City of Newton’s swimming pool, which is scheduled to reopen on June 11.
- a “Did You Know” segment on the founding of the City of Hickory
- a tour of Catawba County Public Health’s expanded Dental Clinic, led by Public Health staff.
- a look at Baker’s Mountain Park, located near the highest point in Catawba County
- an interview with Conover School Principal Betsy Rosenbalm about the school’s work to educate students with disabilities through a partnership of staff, parents, students, and community supporters creating a school environment that promotes optimum learning and achievement for all students.
- a preview of the May 27 “Swingin’ Under The Stars” music and dance event on Union Square in Hickory.

Catawba Communities” airs at 8:00 p.m. on Tuesday and Thursday evenings on Cable Channel 3 in Catawba County. Charter Communications also airs the program at random hours around the clock each day to ensure citizens have ample opportunity to view it. Several of the partner agencies also put the program on their You Tube channels.

For more information about “Catawba Communities”, you may contact the Catawba County Public Information Office at 828-465-8464 or send an e-mail to dave@catawbacountync.gov.